

Background Info on new Water Quality Trading project

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Chae.

Next week is our kick-off meeting with the Willamette Partnership to discuss the project to develop a regional approach to trading (Jan. 17 - that's the meeting you accepted so it's on your calendar). I don't have an agenda for that meeting yet, but will send it to you as soon as I get one. In the meantime, if you want to read something, here's a press release from Willamette Partnership's website describing what this project is.



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If you want to know more about the process Willamette Partnership envisions for the project, the message I forwarded below has several attachments that can help (and these are the ones I gave to Jeff, so perhaps you've seen them already). First, there are notes from a kick-off call all the partners (WP, ODEQ, IDEQ, Ecology, EPA and The Freshwater Trust) had to talk about the process. The notes also talk a little about the various roles of the NGO partners. There's also a list of contacts - so far I'm the only one on the list but I am open to offering up more EPA names. I am just trying to be respectful of everyone's time and save your role for when we have specific meetings and/or documents to focus on. The third attachment is a diagram laying out roles and relationships, but I think it's marginally useful. Lastly, I could also send you a very big schedule that lays out what happens when, but its in very small, faint print no matter how big a piece of paper I get it to print on. All you need to know is that starting in March, there will be 2-day meetings every other month (exact dates not yet selected) to discuss selected topics as we move through the three phases of the project. Phase 1 is federal & state legal authorities for trading; Phase 2 is the credit systems and processes that can be held in common across the three states; and Phase 3 is what needs to be state specific. The location of the meetings will rotate, starting with Seattle first, then Boise, then Portland. Hopefully we will make it through all three phases by the end of this year (2013) so that state pilot projects can begin in 2014.

And in case you want to know more about the Medford permit that's mentioned in the press release, here's a good article about it from the Oregon Association of Clean Water Agencies' newsletter, and DEQ's fact sheet about the draft permit (that is now final).



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Medford Thermal Trading DEQ fact sheet pdf.pdf

Let me know what questions you have. Welcome aboard!

-- Claire

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Notes from Kick-Off Call; Contact List Subject:

Hello,

Thank you to those who reviewed notes from the kickoff call, please the revised/final version of notes attached here.

I've also attached a contact list and updated process diagram for those currently involved in the process, please let me know this week if there are additional folks that should be on here, changes to your contact information, or additional contact information you'd like to provide (e.g. cell number).

Best,

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Hi Everyone,

Please find attached the notes from last Friday's call, please let me know any additions, corrections, or suggestions for how we provide meeting summaries in the future.

We will have a contact list and updated process diagram out to you by the end of the week. We will also be putting together a project website to post agendas, summaries, and other materials. If you have not sent me your availability through the end of January and any known travel/black out days through next fall, please send that to me as soon as possible.

Thank you,

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